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Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin United States District Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re:

SOL Control SRL et ano

v. M/V MSC REGINA et al.

07 Civ. 9506(SAS) Our File: 7R-1566 USDC SDNY
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Dear Judge Scheindlin:

I represent the plaintiffs in this admiralty action which involves a claim for alleged cargo loss. Despite the good faith efforts of all counsel, it has not been possible to complete discovery and other trial preparations in the time period previously anticipated. Accordingly, all parties join in respectfully requesting a sixty-day extension of the discovery and other deadlines as set forth below. This is the first application for a modification of the case management deadlines.

This action involves a containerized shipment of computer equipment transported from Miami to Asuncion, Paraguay. Because of the prospective expense of conducting depositions in the load and discharge ports, counsel have proceeded in the first instance with documentary discovery. Despite the discovery conducted to date, there remain certain factual issues which counsel are attempting to narrow, in particular with respect to events at the port of discharge. Counsel are also in communication with the assigned magistrate judge's chambers concerning settlement conference scheduling. The intention of counsel is to use the additional time to also fully explore settlement avenues.

Counsel join in respectfully requesting following adjustment of the case management deadlines:

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Expert reports to be exchanged byMay 12, 2008	
Experts to be deposed byMay 28, 2008	
Discovery to be completed byJune 6, 2008	
Plaintiffs to supply pre-trial order matters to defendants	
Pre-trial order, trial brief and proposed findings of fact and conclusions of lawJuly 21, 2008	

April 7, 2008 final pretrial conference

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Counsel join in thanking the Court for its attention and indulgence and remain at the Court's disposition in the event that additional information is required.

Respectfully,

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